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SUBJECT: NPT REVCON: ARTICLE VI TEXT

1. SMALL WORKING GROUP MET ON EVENING OF 28 MAY TO ATTEMPT TO REACH AGREEMENT ON ARTICLE VI TEXT FOR DECLARATION. AGREEMENT ON SOME POINTS WAS REACHED, BUT TEXT REMAINS HEAVILY BRACKETED.

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2. NEW TEXT FOR PARA 1-3 OF SECTION ON ARTICLE VI

FOLLOWS (TEXTS BRACKETED ON US REQUEST ARE INDICATED BY ASTERISKS). NOTE: PLEASE READ PARENTHESES AS BRACKETS. BEGIN TEXT:

- (1) THE CONFERENCE RECALLS THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE VI OF THE TREATY UNDER WHICH ALL PARTIES UNDERTOOK TO PURSUE NEGOTIATIONS IN GOOD FAITH ON EFFECTIVE MEASURES RELATING
- -TO THE CESSATION OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE AT AN EARLY DATE AND -TO NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT AND
- -ON A TREATY ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER STRICT AND EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL.

WHILE WELCOMING THE VARIOUS AGREEMENTS ON ARMS LIMITATION AND DISARMAMENT ELABORATED AND CONCLUDED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS AS STEPS CONTRIBUTING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VI OF THE TREATY, THE CONFERENCE EXPRESSES ITS SERIOUS CONCERN THAT THE ARMS RACE, IN PARTICULAR THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE, IS CONTINUING (AND EVEN ACCELERATING). ASTERISK THE CONFERENCE THEREFORE URGES CONSTANT AND RESOLUTE EFFORTS BY EACH OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY, IN PARTICULAR BY THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES, TO ACHIEVE AN EARLY AND EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VI OF THE TREATY. (THE CONFERENCE URGES ALL STATES, WHETHER PARTIES TO THE NPT OR NOT, TO INTENSIFY THEIR CONCERTED AND CONCENTRATED EFFORTS FOR EFFECTIVE MEASURES RELATING TO THE CESSATION OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE AT AN EARLY DATE.)

OR

IN LIEU OF THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH ONLY

(THE CONFERENCE EXPRESSES ITS GRAVE CONCERN THAT THE ARMS RACE, UNPRECEDENTED IN ITS SCOPE, IS CONTINUING AND EVEN ACCELERATING. IT NOTES ALSO WITH CONCERN THE DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF NEW GENERATIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THEIR DELIVERY SYSTEMS ESPECIALLY ON THE TERRITORIES OF NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES PARTIES TO THE TREATY. WHILE WELCOMING THE VARIOUS AGREEMENTS ON ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT ELABORATED OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, THE CONFERENCE CONSIDERS THAT IMMEDIATE AND RESOLUTE EFFORTS ARE REQUIRED, IN PARTICULAR BY THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES PARTIES, TO ACHIEVE AN EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VI OF THE TREATY.) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(2) THE CONFERENCE AFFIRMS THE DETERMINATION EXPRESSED IN THE PREAMBLE TO THE 1963 PARTIAL TEST BAN TREATY AND REITERATED IN THE PREAMBLE TO THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY TO ACHIEVE THE DISCONTINUANCE OF ALL TEST EXPLOSIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS FOR ALL TIME. THE CONFERENCE EXPRESSES THE VIEW THAT THE CONCLUSION OF A TREATY BANNING ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT

MEASURES TO HALT THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE. (IT IS CONVINCED THAT ALL THE TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ASPECTS OF THIS QUESTION HAVE BEEN SO THOROUGHLY EXPLORED THAT ONLY A POLITICAL DECISION IS NOW NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE FINAL AGREEMENT. IT IS ALSO CONVINCED THAT, AS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS HAS REPEATEDLY EXPRESSED, WHATEVER MAY BE THE DIFFERENCES ON THE QUESTION OF VERIFICATION, THERE IS NO VALID REASON FOR DELAYING THE CONCLUSION OF A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN.) ASTERISK CONSEQUENTLY IT APPEALS TO THE NUCLEAR-WEAPONS STATES (PARTIES TO THE TREATY) TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO REACH AGREEMENT ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN EFFECTIVE COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN. (IT FURTHER INVITES THESE STATES. AS AN INTERIM MEASURE, TO ENTER WITHOUT DELAY INTO AN AGREEMENT TO HALT, FOR A SPECIFIED TIME, ALL UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS.) ASTERISK OR (IT BELIEVES THAT IN THE MEANTIME, UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT, EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS TO A MINIMUM.) (THE CONFERENCE BELIEVES THAT SUCH STEPS WOULD CONSTITUTE AN INCENTIVE OF PARTICULAR VALUE TO PROMPT THE OTHER NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE CONCLUSION OF A TREATY BANNING ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TEST EXPLOSIONS FOR ALL TIME.)

DRAFT TEXT OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF DECLARATION

(3) THE CONFERENCE APPEALS TO THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES PARTIES TO THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC ARMS TO ENDEAVOR TO CONCLUDE (BEFORE THE END OF 1975) ASTERISK (AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE) THE NEW AGREEMENT THAT WAS OUTLINED BY THEIR LEADERS IN NOVEMBER 1974. (THE CONFERENCE TAKES NOTE OF THEIR INTENTION TO CONTINUE FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS IN THIS FIELD.) (THE CONFERENCE LOOKS FORWARD TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF FOLLOW-ON NEGOTIATIONS ON FURTHER LIMITATIONS AND REDUCTIONS IN THE LEVEL OF STRATEGIC ARMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT.) (THE CONFERENCE URGES THESE STATES TO ENTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS TO SEEK AGREEMENT ON IMPORTANT QUALITATIVE LIMITATIONS AND SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS OF THEIR STRATEGIC (AND TACTICAL) NUCLEAR WEAPON SYSTEMS.) ASTERISK

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